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STATEMENT CONCERNING THE DEPOSITED PLASMID

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned attorney of record hereby states:

1. A plasmid containing human cDNA encoding a Galectin 11 polypoptide was deposited under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on May 16, 1997, at the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), Patent Depository, 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, Virginia 20110-2209 (current address), and given accession number 209053, as evidenced by the ATCC deposit receipt attached hereto.

2. Assurance is hereby given that: (1) the deposit was made under terms of the Budapest Treaty; (2) except for the limitations allowed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.808(b), all restrictions on the availability to the public of the deposit will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of a patent from the captioned application; (3) the deposit has been made under conditions such that access to the material will be available during the pendency of the captioned patent application to one determined by the Commissioner; and (4) the deposit will be maintained with the care necessary to keep it viable and uncontaminated for a period of at least five years after the most recent request for the furnishing of a sample of the deposit, and in any case, for a period of at least thirty years after the date of deposit or for the enforceable life of the patent, whichever period is longer.

Respectfully submitted

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BUDAPEST TREATY ON THE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF THE DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS FOR THE PURPOSES OF PATENT PROCEDURE

INTERNATIONAL FORM

RECEIPT IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL DEPOSIT ISSUED PURSUANT TO RULE 7.3
AND VIABILITY STATEMENT ISSUED PURSUANT TO RULE 10.2

To: (Name and Address of Depositor or Attorney)

Human Genome Sciences, Inc. Attn: Robert H. Benson 9410 Key West Avenue Rockville, MD 20850

Deposited on Behalf of: Human Genome Sciences, Inc.

Identification Reference by Depositor:

ATCC Designation

DNA Plasmid Pool #1

209053

The deposits were accompanied by: ___ a scientific description _a proposed taxonomic description indicated above.

The deposits were received May 16, 1997 by this International Depository Authority and have been accepted.

AT YOUR REQUEST:

We will inform you of requests for the strains for 30 years.

The strains will be made available if a patent office signatory to the Budapest Treaty certifies one's right to receive, or if a U.S. Patent is issued citing the strains, and ATCC is instructed by the United States Patent & Trademark Office or the depositor to release said strains.

If the cultures should die or be destroyed during the effective term of the deposit, it shall be your responsibility to replace them with living cultures of the same.

The strains will be maintained for a period of at least 30 years from date of deposit, or five years after the most recent request for a sample, whichever is longer. The United States and many other countries are signatory to the Budapest Treaty.

The viability of the cultures cited above was tested May 29, 1997. On that date, the cultures were viable.

Internetional Depository Authority: American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, Md. 20852 USA

Signature of person having authority to represent ATCC:

Barbara M. Heiley, Administrator, Patenty Depository

Date: May 29, 1997